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Teacher accused of abuse

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TREMONT. A Bronx teacher was reportedly charged with sexual abuse for allegedly abusing an 8-yearold boy. NY1 reported yesterday that Tulsie Singh, 35, a teacher at PS 306, was suspended in January and fired in April. Singh allegedly molested the boy from 2004 to 2007. @ METRO/AB



Forecaster pleads guilty to rape lies

NEW YORK. A former weatherwoman pleaded guilty yesterday to making up a Central Park assault. Heidi Jones will likely be sentenced to probation and 350 hours of community service. METRO/AB

Toddler shot in the face

MARINERS HARBOR. A 2-yearold girl was shot in Staten Island yesterday and is in critical condition. Cops said that she was hit around 2 p.m. in a shooting between groups ing for suspects. @ METRO/AB

Fascist icon? Kin of tyrant readies Cipriani catwalk

Dictator's fashionista daughter booted from runway Noved the show to Cipriani Can expect a crowd from Uzbek and human rights protesters

After she was kicked out of Fashion Week's Lincoln Center site, dictator'sdaughter-turned-designer Gulnara Karimova is preparing a runway anyway, holding court today at Cipriani — but she'll have more than fashionistas waiting for her.

Dozens of nationals Uzbekistan from are protesting her Fashion Week show, saying she uses forced child labor to pick the cotton for her fashionable fabrics, and they're prepared to rally against her wherever she may be.

Yusuf Sabirov, 44, flew in from Arizona to boycott her runway show. An Uzbek refugee, Sabirov said he fled the country after the 2005 Andijan massacre, when hundreds of protesters were killed by soldiers led by Karimova's father, Islam Karimov.

"I was in the [protest] when the soldiers came to shoot us," he remembered.

last year, but organizers refunding



of her political past.

This year, they kicked Karimova's line, GULI, her off the runway after human rights abuses in of men. Officers are search- showed at Fashion Week protests and are reportedly \$30,000

apparently weren't aware rental fees Karimova spent on her show.

"We're horrified by the Uzbekistan," a Fashion Week spokesman said.

Claims to infamy

Karimova's father, Uzbekistan president Islam Karimov, has been accused of human rights abuses.

The United Nations reported that torture in Uzbekistan is "institutionalized, systematic, and rampant." In one 2002 example, Karimov's security forces boiled two political prisoners alive. Karimov has been "elected" for three terms in a row with more than 90 percent support from voters - unmarked ballots, as well as ballots of those who did not vote, were automatically counted as "yes." And Karimova was not described favorably in Wiki-Leaks documents released last year, which called her "a greedy, power-hungry individual who uses her father to crush business people" and "the single most hated person in the country."



Cops pursue suspects in BK, Village sex assaults

NEW YORK. Police released a third sketch of a man they say has attacked as many as nine women in Park Slope, Sunset Park and Bay Ridge.

In some victims' testimony, the man was described as being 5 feet 4 inches tall with dark hair, but in others he's 5 feet 6 inches tall and "muscular," leading police to believe there might be more than one suspect.

Police say the 9Brooklyn rapist has attempted to assault at least nine women.

Police are looking for another man who allegedly sexually assaulted a 23year-old woman at 2 a.m. Sept. 8 as she was entering her Greenwich Village building. @ METRO/EAE



News in brief

Woman jumps off UES building

MANHATTAN. A young woman reportedly killed herself by jumping from a luxury high-rise yesterday. Officials said a 20something woman apparently jumped off the 18th floor, landing on a second-floor ledge at the 79th Street building. Police are investigating the incident. @ METRO/AB

Man fined for 9/11 fraud

A former Port Authority painter has been ordered to pay \$3 million for scamming the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund. Mario Mastellone reportedly faked a back injury to get \$1 million from the fund, but after he was seen dancing pain-free on a video from a wedding, he was sentenced to 30 months in jail for theft of government funds. His lawyer vowed to appeal. METRO/AB



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Turner: Win marks Obama discontent

◆ Bob Turner tells voters he won election because of their frustration with president ◆ Takes Weiner's seat

The man who took disgraced representative Anthony Weiner's seat trumpeted his Tuesday win as a sign of backlash against President Barack Obama.

Queens businessman Bob Turner beat assemblyman David Weprin in a race that was tight leading up the election. Turner will be the first Republican to represent the 9th Congressional District since 1920.

Celebrating his win, Turner said that the race was a national referendum and that many others would follow.

"We've been asked by the people of this district to send a message to Washington," Turner said.



Other Republicans chimed in, saying that the win should be a warning for Obama at the beginning of his re-election campaign. But not everyone was con-

vinced that the local race had national implications.

"I think we tend to read into individual races that may have local inputs and we try to expand it and say that changed the whole world," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said. "It's not the end of the Obama administration."

In a Public Policy Polling survey two days before the race, voters reported discontent with President Obama, with a 31 percent approval rate in the district.

In 2008, Obama won with 55 percent of the support.



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Medical Admin. Assistant M,W 10/3-11/30/11 6pm-9pm

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This course covers: introduction to the dental office; the legal aspects of dentistry, policies and guidelines. Also covered are Clinical Aspects: introduction to oral anatomy; dental operatory and dental equipment.

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Bye Bye Marty? BP wants out

NEW YORK. Could Brooklyn's most ardent supporter be leaving the borough? Borough President Marty Markowitz is reportedly considering getting out of politics.

The Brooklyn native, long considered a contender for the 2013 mayoral race, will retire in two years when his term is up, according to the New York Post.

Markowitz said yesterday that he has



not raised any money or started a campaign account for mayor, but added, "I have not made a final decision."

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Called to testify, cop grabs third rail

NEW YORK. A veteran NYPD officer reportedly tried to kill himself by clutching the third rail yesterday, distraught at the thought of being called to testify against other cops.

Officer Robert McGee, 62, had reportedly been called to testify at the trial of other police officers accused of fixing tickets.

McGee jumped onto the tracks at the Broadway and 238th Street subway station in Riverdale, according to the New York Post. He was found with a burned hand.

Ticket-fix probe

Hundreds of police officers are being investigated for fixing tickets, or getting rid of tickets issued to friends or family members.

Two dozen officers in the Bronx could face criminal charges and hundreds could be disciplined in the case, which also involves testimony from other officers.

An NYPD spokesman declined to comment.

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Ten years later, nothing to bury

◆ Family members do not have any remains of 9/11 victims ◆ Still waiting for a call from the city ◆ Only 40 percent of the remains have been ID'd

Joyce and Russell Mercer desperately want even a pinky of their son's remains. But 10 years after Sept. 11, they have not received anything of Scott Kopytko, 32, who died on assignment as a firefighter in the south tower.

"We have never received anything," Russell Mercer said. "That's still true even today."

Now they can visit the Sept. 11 memorial, which opened Sunday to the families, and touch the letters of his name. But without remains, the couple could not even have a funeral, holding just a memorial mass and constantly hoping the city would call them with news.

The Mercers are two of thousands of family members waiting for a call from the medical examiner's office. More than 1,000 World Trade Center victims' remains have still not been identified — at last count, 1,632 of the 2,753 names



Not for a museum

Some family members are suing to halt a plan to store unidentified remains in the Sept. 11 museum, saying it is not the correct place. have been established through DNA testing.

Last month, Ernest James, 40, a Marsh & McLennan employee, became the latest victim identified. He was the first victim to match remains to DNA since 2009.

Mercer said he holds out hope for a similar phone call. "You can't give up on hope."





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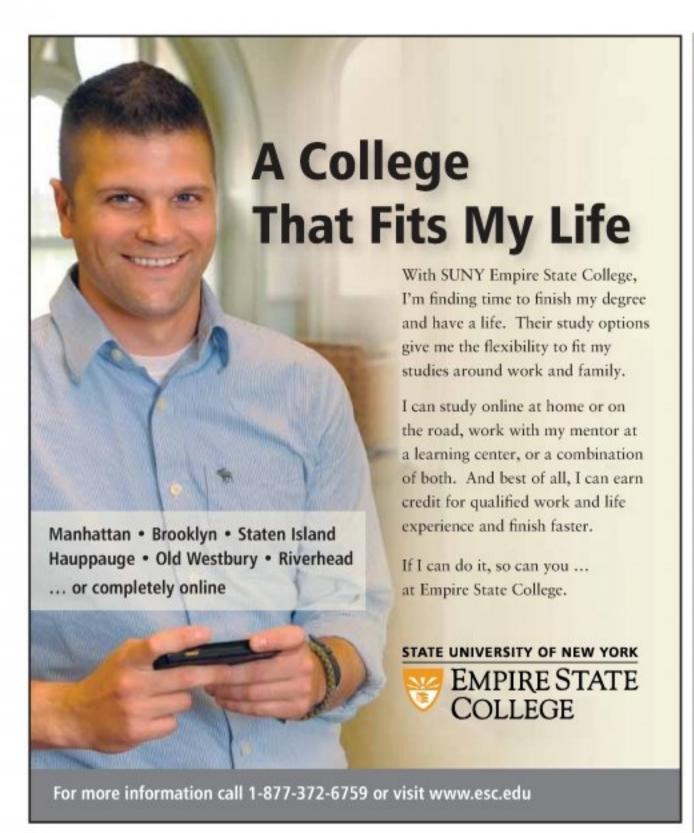
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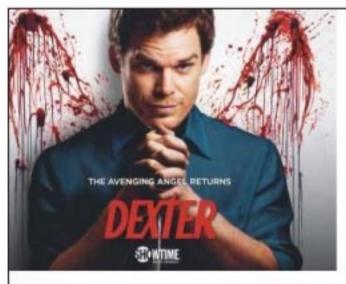
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A little action with a basketball star?

◆ Biography says Palin seduced pro baller Glen Rice in 1987 ◆ Rice confirms to author he went rogue with her

As a young television reporter covering the Great Alaska Shootout basketball tournament in 1987, former vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin apparently didn't mind mixing work with pleasure, according to an excerpt from a forthcoming biography, the National Enquirer reported yesterday.

The book by Joe McGinniss, titled "The Rogue: Searching for the Real Sarah Palin," claims the Republican Party darling had a steamy meeting with then-University of Michigan basketball star Glen Rice, who played in the tournament, according to the Enquirer's online report.



Alas, Alaska doesn't have the same mantra as Las Vegas, because the 6-foot, 7inch small forward Rice reportedly confirmed to McGinniss that he did in fact do the deed with Palin, the report said. McGinniss started his journalism career back in the 1960s, working at both the Philadelphia Bulletin and Inquirer before moving on to books after an early success chronicling Richard Nixon's presidency. He also is the same guy in the news a couple years ago when he rented a house in Wasilla, Alaska — Palin's hometown — directly next to the Palin home.

A publishing source also told the scandal-laden tabloid that Palin used cocaine before becoming the governor of Alaska.



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Poll: Jobs bill gives Obama boost

President Barack Obama's approval rating got a small lift after he unveiled a jobs plan last week, a Reuters/Ipsos poll said yesterday. The percentage of Americans who view Obama's performance favorably edged up to 47 percent. REUTERS

World economy in danger zone

The head of the World Bank said yesterday the world had entered a new economic danger zone and that Europe, Japan and the United States all need to make hard decisions to avoid dragging down the global economy.

"Unless Europe, Japan and the United states can also face up to responsibilities they will drag down not only themselves but the global economy," World Bank President Robert Zoellick said. REUTERS



SAT scores down, poor take blame

• Results are in for the national standardized test, and they're not good O Drop attributed to student diversity

Average SAT scores for high school seniors declined three points in reading, one point in math and two points in writing from last year as a record number of students took the test used for admission at most U.S. colleges.

The average reading score of 497 marked the lowest since data became available in 1972, according to a report released by the College Board, which administers the exam. The math result of 514 has wavered within 1 point the past five years. The score for writing has fallen in all but one year since being added to the exam in 2005, and dropped to 489 this year.



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The nonprofit College Board attributed declining scores to a larger and more diverse group taking the test, especially lower-income students and those

who speak English as their second language. Blacks and Hispanics lagged behind their white peers, Asian-Americans while outperformed them in math and writing. Almost 1.65 million students in the 2011 graduating class took the test, according to the College Board.

dercuts academic progress cited under No Child Left Behind, the nation's main public schools law, said Schaeffer. spokesman for the National Center for Fair & Open Testing, a Boston-based nonprofit group critical of standardized exams. BLOOMBERG

The decline in scores un-



See? It pays to read!

Barry Kaufman of Cambridge, Mass, was the winner of Metro's Quiz Bowl contest, which ran in the July 4 editions, and is pictured here with his winner's check for \$1,000. @ METRO

Study sniffs out secret to 'fishy' body odor

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NEW YORK. For some people with troublesome, unexplained body odor, an uncommon genetic disorder once known as "fishodor syndrome" may be to blame, a new study finds.

The condition, known clinically as trimethylaminuria, is caused by emitting excessive amounts of the compound trimethylamine (TMA). TMA is produced when we digest foods rich in a substance called choline - including saltwater fish, eggs, liver and certain legumes, like soy and kidney beans.

TMA is caused by defects in a gene known as FMO3. Those flaws hinder the body's ability to metabolize TMA and turn it into odorfree compounds. Only about 10 to 15 percent of sufferers exhibit the fishy smell. REUTERS



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Surprising census facts

More Americans in poverty, but that's not the only bad news O Some earn now only what they took home in 1996

A new census report generated much buzz this week largely for its findings that 15.1 percent of Americans lived in poverty in 2010, the highest level in more than 15 years. But buried in the report were plenty of other findings that shed light on the financial health of the country's work force, or lack thereof.

MainStreet combed through the report to find five of the most surprising facts about how the country is living now in the aftermath of the recession.

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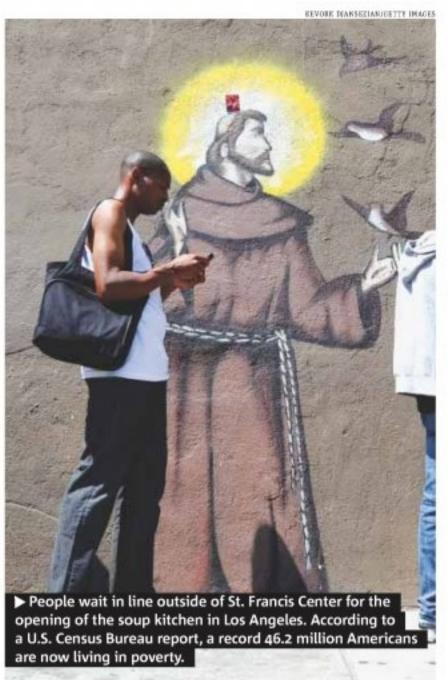
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The new normal

- Americans really need a raise. The median household income in 2010 was \$49,445, a decline of more than 6 percent from 2007.
- Homes are more crowded. There were 21.8 million doubled-up households in the spring of 2011, an increase of 2 million since the spring of 2007, just before the recession kicked into gear.
- The elderly are doing just fine. Older households saw incomes in-

crease by 7.5 percent between 2000 and 2010, making this the only age group to enjoy a net wage increase.

- Men are being purged from the labor market. Between 2007 and 2010, the number of men working full time dropped by a massive 6.6 million.
- More disabled Americans are without health care. There were 2.6 million disabled individuals between 18 and 64 who were not insured, up from 2.3 million the year before.



RIM shot: Apple the undisputed tablet king

NEW YORK. Research In Motion Ltd., depending on its new PlayBook to bolster sales as demand for its BlackBerry phones withers, may have shipped just one of the tablet computers last quarter for every 19 iPads from Apple.

The company, which reports earnings today, probably sold about 490,000 PlayBooks during the first full quarter of sales, according to a Bloomberg survey of analysts, compared with the 9.25 million iPads shipped last quarter. Analysts cut estimates for full-year PlayBook shipments, to an average of 2.2 million, according to the survey.

"RIM overplayed the PlayBook in terms of its sales and prospects," said Charlie Wolf, an analyst at Needham & Co. BLOOMBERG



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THE WORD

Metro's Monica Weymouth shares her take on the world of gossip t @monicaatmetro monica.weymouth@metro.us

- Dorothy Robinson will return on Tuesday.

Scarlett Johansson hacked!

The rarest of rare nude celebrity photos have hit the Internet: Shots of a person you'd actually want to see undressed who neither regularly undresses nor stars in a reality show (kind of a mood-killer).

We're talking, of course, about the **Scarlett Johansson** pics that went up yesterday morning. (Stop Googling it's rude.) Even better, you can assume that they're re-

Jon Stewart

We love Jon Stewart here.

But sometimes, we love

him a little more when he

takes a break from the (ad-

geeks out

al: The actress is reportedly working with the FBI because her cell phone was hacked, according to TMZ.

Before you start judging her, get back to Google and have a look. We've reviewed the photos — in the name of responsible journalism, of course — and can confirm that we'd swear off clothes forever if that's what we were hiding. Nicely done, Scarlett!



mittedly depressing) news
to lighten up. He dishes on
his **Bruce Springsteen** worship in the new Rolling
Stone, and it might be the
cutest, happiest thing
we've read all week:

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"When I listened to his music, I didn't feel like a loser. I felt like a character in an epic poem about losers. Plus, you would go see his show and he would blow your f—ing mind for four hours. At a certain point, you'd want to go up onstage and be like, 'Guys! ... You're giving too much! We do not deserve what you've done here tonight! A lot of us are jackasses!"

Paul Rudd is staying clothed, thank you

Although no one is complaining about the Scarlett photos, Paul Rudd isn't so sure audiences want to see him nude ever again. "I've been naked in a lot of my movies. There's something inherently funny about the naked male body, particularly mine," he says in the new Playboy. "Ryan Reynolds, sure, it makes sense why he'd strip down. But not me. I shouldn't be allowed to."

OK — tomorrow, everyone keeps their clothes on in The Word, Promise,





The feed ...

➤ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

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► A GarryShandling If somebody dies on twitter do we just stare at a blank screen for a minute in memory?

A 42-year-old woman is being prosecuted for calling her ex 65,000 times in one year. Who knew Jennifer Aniston could dial that fast?



Talking points

Leo's not in it for the money

Leonardo DiCaprio has had plenty of box-office success — not that he's keeping score. "Throughout my career, I never knew which movies of mine made money and which didn't," he tells GQ. "The [money] stuff never mattered to me until I was into my 30s and got interested in producing. ... But even now I say that unless you want to prove that you can carry a film with your name, continuously trying to achieve box-



office success is a dead end."

Do tell, Amanda Seyfried ...

Amanda Seyfried isn't the type of actress to complain about onscreen intimacy. "Sex scenes are great. A lot of my co-stars have been sexy guys my age, and so, why not? I'm not going to pretend it's not fun," she tells W magazine. Her latest co-star to fit that bill — in the sci-fi thriller "In Time" — is Justin Timberlake. "Justin was great," she says. "He had come from 'Friends with Benefits,' where he basically had sex every day at work, and so it was easy for both of us."

Buy Hilary Duff's home

Hilary Duff is looking to unload her Toluca Lake home once again, according to AOL Real Estate. The pregnant singer first listed the 9,000-square-foot Spanish-style home in 2010 for \$7 million but was unable to find a buyer. The home has been re-listed at \$6.25 million.

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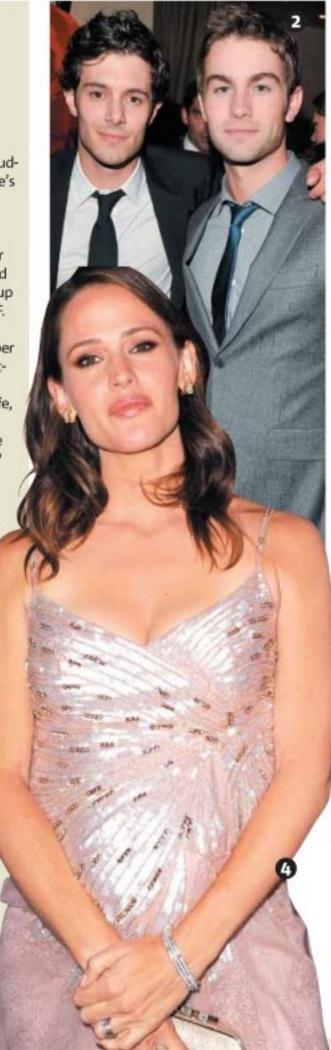
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Great hips, hip gowns and the unexpected

- 1: Hello, hips! Christina Hendricks and Jennifer Hudson were at Self magazine's "Women Doing Good" awards on Tuesday.
- 2: OK, fine, let's hear it for the boys: Adam Brody and Chace Crawford cleaned up exceptionally nice for TIFF.
- 3: Every time we remember that Charlie and The Waitress are happily married (and expecting!) in real life, we smile. Mary Elizabeth Ellis and Charlie Day were supercute at the Season 7 premiere of "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia."
- 4: Jennifer Garner was pretty in pink in Toronto. (Why do we feel like she was in a movie with this title? Five or so years ago? Anyone?)
- 5: Lily Cole, let's talk about the dress you wore at the Toronto International Film Festival on Tuesday: We love it. We're a little afraid of it (and you), but we love it.
- 6: Now, Olivia Wilde's TIFF dress? This is one we could have done without.

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Reasons to hit the theater this weekend



'Drive'

Nicolas Winding Refn directs this stunning modern noir about a stunt driver sucked into the L.A.

crime underworld. We hope it will finally allow Ryan Gosling to be referred to as something other than "'The Notebook' guy." METRO

'I Don't Know How She Does It' You know what you're going to get out of this box of bonbons: Sarah Jessica Parker plays a mom trying to "have it all" with kids, a career and Greg Kinn-

"Straw Dogs" Expect more bloodshed in this remake of the 1971 Sam Peckinpah classic film about a small back country village that doesn't take kindly to a native daughter returning to settle in with her sophisticated, if a bit wussy, husband.

'The Lion King' in 3-D For a limited time, you can Hakunah Matata yourself silly with the 3-D re-release of the 1994 Disney cash cow.

'Contagion' Who among us would not enjoy two hours of visualizing the worstcase scenario of a global outbreak of an incurable disease? No? Well, Matt Damon is in it, as are Kate Winslet and Marion Cotillard. That should change your mind.

TV watch list



'The Secret Circle'

DRAMA. Cassie (Britt Robertson) discovers she's a witch after her mother dies in a mysterious accident, and the teen is forced to move in with her grandmother. But in the whole abracadabra thing, Cassie's not alone other "gifted" kids in town believe she's the key to completing a powerful circle of witches. This soap is a perfect companion to "The Vampire Diaries," with just as much potential to be a hit. Series premiere, 9 p.m., The

'The Vampire Diaries'

DRAMA. With "True Blood" limping to its season finale last Sunday, we're so ready for TV's other vampire love triangle to return. But first, Elena and Damon have to find Stefan, who - if Klaus got his way during the hiatus has turned into a "ripper." Season premiere, 8 p.m., The CW O AMBER RAY

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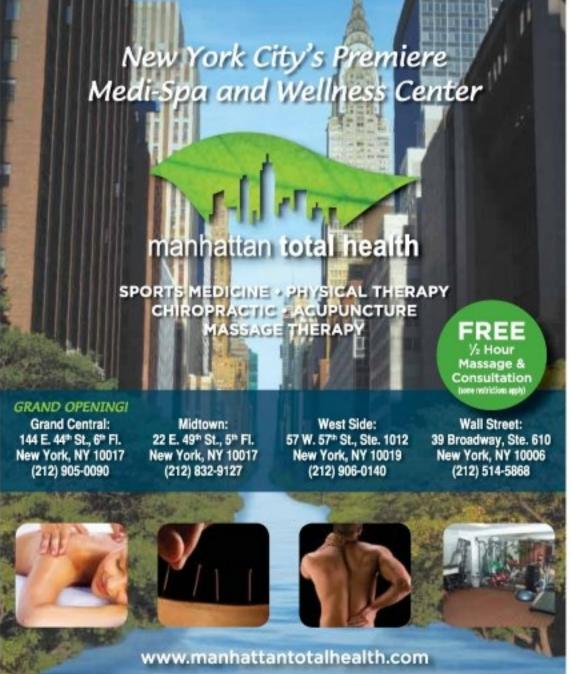
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The Gang gets chubby

'It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia' star Rob McElhenney gained 50 pounds for Season 7 The cultural commentary behind Fat Mac's story It's not just 'burritos are awesome'

It has happened to us all, "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia" fans. You're catching an episode of "Louie," about to head for a pit stop during the commercials, when you see it: Fat Mac. "Whoa," you think. "Dude got chunky."

But rest assured — in the warped mind of creator/star Rob McElhenney, the whopping 50 pounds he packed on for Season 7 were all in the name of art.

Inspired by the actors in "a very popular sitcom" getting "new hair and new teeth" as seasons progressed, McElhenney decided to take the founding ethos of "Sunny" one step further. Or, one giant leap beyond common sense.

"I always thought that what we were trying to do with 'Sunny' is a sort of deconstruction of the sitcom." he says. "So instead of making the characters as likable as possible, we've always tried to make them as unlikable as possible. I thought maybe the same could be done with the aesthetics. ... I tried to look as ugly as possible, basically."





How to 'bulk up'

Martial arts enthusiast Mac thinks he's "bulking up." But he doesn't have the advice of Phillies star Chase Utley guiding him to "mass."

McElhenney did. He says that Utley, who has appeared on the show, mentioned that he works with a

sports nutritionist whose specialty is bulking up linemen. The actor soon signed up for a similar weight gain plan that required serious discipline. "You need to eat about 5,000 calories a day to put on that kind of weight," he says. "Over the course of five months I ate ... five meals [per day] at 1,000 calories each."

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Review

'Starfox 64 3D' Console: 3DS Company: Nintendo Grade: 00000

"Do a barrel roll" were the four words sweeping across dorms and bedrooms in 1997. Starfox 64 was an institution, turning the flight sim genre into a bona fide space opera. Fox is back and he's in 3-D.

This game was built from the ground up, and it shows. It's the best-looking game on the 3DS. Thanks to the depth perception, the 3-D is a vital part of the gameplay. The only downside? The multiplayer is local only. Yes, it's 2011, and Nintendo still refuses to put their games online.

Let's do it agai

Review

The ICO and Shadow of the Colossus Collection Console: PS3

Company: Sony Grade: 00000 The idea that video games can also be art probably

wouldn't even exist without these two games. They are each sad, lonely and beautiful experiences that also work as actual, well, games. "ICO" has you trying to escape a stark and unforgiving castle. "Shadow of Colossus" tasks you with ridding the land of 16 giants that may or may not deserve it. They are both classics.



These updates add HD visuals, the option to play in 3D and tons of trophies and extras. Of the two, only "ICO" seems a bit dated, thanks to some unforgiving controls and rough partner Al. It was 2001 — give them a break.

or every gamer born, another gives up the joystick to that ridiculous enterprise known as "real life." These new gamers are left rudderless, without elders to point them to the classics of yesteryear. Luckily, the magnanimous gaming industry is on task, pumping out remakes faster than you can say "Final Fantasy."

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The reviews

Sophie Theallet Gorgeous floor-length cotton dresses in prints

and an elegant white frock with nothing but a crisscross

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Sophie Theallet's spring show. Then came separates: splashy prints or color-blocked blouses and skirts, followed by cocktail

dresses in attention-command-

ing tangerine, shocking pink and icy blue. It was all about

the colors. But just when we were beginning to feel immune to them, Theallet, a

favorite of Michelle Obama, toned it down with a few black

satiny dresses and tops (some

with a surprising green or blue

underlay) before ending back on the bright with silky, dramatic, colorful gowns.

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New York fashion is now dominated by super cute, painfully cool guy designers with crazy bone structure and dreamy eyes • Who cares about the clothes when the designers look this good? • We compare them all

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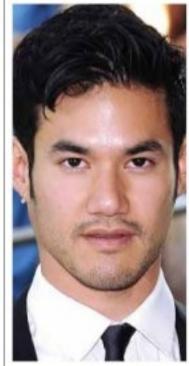
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O TINA CHADHA

When you think of Tibi, you think of fun prints which is why it was so odd to see this spring show with hardly any florals or graphics. Instead, designer Amy Smilovic started with simple whites before sending down softcolored separates in periwinkle, salmon and seafoam. There was a brief moment of prints and color-blocking; but minimal, solid-hued items ruled the show. The standouts were her slouchy pants paired with cool tanks and stylish, laid-back suits. They were perfect for busy, fashion-minded ladies who would rather not fuss with a precious dress at work.

@ METRO/TC **Betsey Johnson**

Betsey Johnson took her finale bow to Three Six Mafia's "Azz and Tittiez," complete with flashing boobs and bottoms on the runway backdrop. How badass is that? The only problem is, she seemed to take those lyrics too literally with the clothes, which were a little bit Malibu Barbie, a little bit Nicki Minaj and a little bit "Kinky Boots." It was campy and fun. And we all love her for that. But the clothes, such as a corseted mini dress with a tiny teacup skirt and even tinier bra top, started to veer into costume territory. It's hard to see them making sense off the

Bibhu Mohapatra Bibhu Mohapatra's girl struggles with her

Is this dreamboat a Disney prince come to life? With his impossibly thick hair, high cheekbones and dark eyes, we think so.

arch towards the Gods and a lithe frame that makes even sweatpants clean-cut thing going almost like they stepped off the set of "Mad Men."

In the looks department, he's like the fashion version of Brad Pitt: a pretty with facial scruff.



Rye Rye, the underground hip-hop hipster queen, was the musical collaborator for If you consider being un-PC an edge, then these guys have it. Their epic fail of a fashion video, "Act da Fool," had black people crying foul. But it did feature too-cool-for-school director Harmony Korine.

He had the gatekeeper of all things tor Carine Roitfeld, in his corner before show in New York.

charity. We love a dogooder. Plus, he's a Twitter ninja, making it easier for you to follow your fashion crush.

He's got rhythm! Have you ever seen this guy

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THE LOOK

He's got eyebrows that look chic.

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boy who sometimes roughens up his look

THE EDGE

his resort '12 show.

He's got all the cool girls in his coterie, including M.I.A., Zoe Kravitz and Erin Wasson — to name just a few.

French and cool, former Vogue Paris edihe even had his first

EXTRA CUTENESS

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MTV Video Music Awards red carpet. @ KENYA HUNT what's not to love?



buttoned-up sophisticated side and her desire to unpin her bun and go wild. This season she's finding a happy balance. Elegant dresses were given a subversive twist with the addition of bondage straps, sheer panels, slits and cutouts. A chain-link print added edge to pretty cocktail dresses and long gowns in champagne and grey tones. Most pieces had a combination of these details - a little leg flashing here, decolletage there making them so much more sexy and complex then they appear on first glance. @ METRO/TC



Narciso Rodriguez Consider this a collection for fashion editors: artful clothes that only the most advanced-level dressers know how to pull off. The looks were beautiful and elegant. But in the wrong hands, his pieced-together, asymmetrical, color-blocked dresses will wear the woman, rather than the other way around. Standouts: a series of pale, ethereal dresses that revealed swirls of sheerness. @ METRO/KH



Behind the scenes



Get to know Suzanne Rae

"It's feminine and feminist. I like things that make you feel sensual, but at the same time I like something really chill," says designer Suzanne Rae of her line. For her first runway show, the Brooklynite showed breezy dresses and effortless separates inspired by traditional Japanese fabrics and pat-terns. "I was feeling nostalgia for a simpler time," she says. We hung out with Rae at her Bushwick home/studio; check out the video at www.metro.us/ fashionweek. METRO/TC



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Letters

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Pacifists are just cowards

RE: "LIBERATORS ARE ALSO TERRORISTS": The delusional gentleman who wrote this is wrong on all counts. The troops who liberated death camps did not slaughter Tribal Americans, because they had not been born yet. The "original sin" thinking promoted by self loathing Americans is just a logical fallacy - we do not bear the sins nor deserve the praise of those who came before us. Pacifists are natural cowards. If Dante was right, even Hell won't have them, for they believe in nothing.

They refuse to act out of fear, fear of failure and of success. They just sit on the imagined moral high ground and let the world DUITI. J.D. TORDOFF, VIA E-MAIL

GOP only cares about the party

Tea/Republican Party members have shown that the party is more important than the Republic. The actual economy is based on money changing hands - I pay you, you pay the other person, etc. More tax breaks for the wealthy has little or no effect on the "real" economy. The economy has always blossomed when the middle class and working poor have more money. This is largely because we spend most of what we earn. ANTHONY P. JOHNSON, VIA E-MAIL

'Job creators' profit from jobs

RE: "CORPORATIONS CARE ABOUT US": Mr. Cleary suggests that having big corporations and wealthy income earners pay the equal percentage of taxes as the rest of us mere peasants would be punishment?! Why do they get to profit more with all the tax breaks and loopholes

may employ a lot of people, but by them doing so they also grow their business hence their profit. Then they outsource these jobs and are still benefiting from tax breaks. YOVANNY HENNINGSEN, VIA E-MAIL

just because they make

more money? Yes they

Tea Party may love a getaway

Dear Tea Party supporters! There is a country that fits your ideals. There is no taxation, the government does not interfere in citizen's affairs, everybody is armed, every arising problem is decided on a local level and they teach creationism and worship in schools (if your kids go to school at all). The name of the country is Somalia. VITALIY EPSHTEIN, BROOKLYN

Horoscope

IV Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. You won't go unnoticed, but just be sure you're attracting attention for all the right reasons. Make certain you're not being too self-serving.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. When it comes to an agreement you're attempting to facilitate, you can expedite things by making some minor concessions. Set the example.

M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Be careful not to lock horns if you have to work in close proximity with someone who, like yourself, has his or her own way of doing things. Try to be accommodating.

might be one of those days when you could come off as being a bit one-sided with others. If you see something is amiss, adjust your scales to restore proper balance.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19. Before becoming unduly agitated with anybody, total up this person's pros and cons. There's a good chance you will find more to praise than condemn. Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. If you hope to be successful, your objectives must first be clearly defined. If all you have are fuzzy outlines, don't start anything without developing a game plan.

H Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. It could turn out to be an expensive recess, if on a whim you decide to take a day off. There is likely to be an opportunity awaiting you at work that you won't want to miss.

T Aries March 21-April 19. Just because those who love you tolerate your anger or outbursts, it doesn't give you license to vent excessively. Behave in a civil manner.

Taurus April 20-May 20. Don't be your own worst enemy and read more into what people do or say than intended. All you'll do is make yourself miserable by falsely thinking that others harbor you ill will.

II Gemini May 21-June 20. Assess the cost in terms of time and money before committing yourself to a group involvement. If the figures look like they're adding, you might want to gracefully bow out.

Cancer June 21-July 22. Figure out if the reason why things aren't going too well for you lately is simply due to poor timing, or something far more serious. Get all your ducks in a row before moving forward.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 22. Those with whom you're involved will respond to you in the same manner as you treat them. If you find them likable, they'll be gracious and friendly to you. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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restaurants

Where you'll be eating this fall

◆ The hot spots you'll be hitting: From Chef Simpson Wong's testament to sustainablity to a 'Top Chef' contestant's new spot in Park Slope ◆ Oyster pad thai, anyone?

Just in time for the forgiving sweaters and double-chin concealing scarves of autumn, this fall's new restaurants are ready to indulge New York's hungry masses.

In late September, Chef Simpson Wong of the Asian fusion spot Cafe Asean will open Wong at 7 Cornelia St. in the West Village. "All I wanted to do was cook and feel like I'm having people over to my place," he says, and he means it: Wooden beams from his apartment renovation are now a waiter's station, and low counters invite diners to pull up a chair and watch the kitchen churn out affordable, locally sourced dishes like green curry pizza or raw bonito fish with purslane and Japanese crackers. Everything reflects Wong's commitment to sustainability - even the wine, which is served from a tap to avoid shipping heavy glass bottles.

Farther south in the stroller-heavy blocks of Park Slope chef Dale Talde will bring the skills and smarts from Buddakhan and two seasons on "Top Chef" to his first restaurant, Talde. The Asian-American menu has a foot firmly planted in each tradition, drawing from Talde's heritage. "It was a very Filipino household; there was a pot of rice going all the time," he says. "This restaurant is about where I'm from profession-





Quoted

"All I wanted to do was cook and feel like I'm having people over to my place."

CHEF SIMPSON WONG, ON HIS NEW SPOT: WONG

Upscale uptown

For fans of the uber-exclusive meal heavy on celebrities and their ilk, the newest endeavor by John DeLucie of the Lion will open in September on the Upper East Side. The restaurant takes over a townhouse from the late 19th-century accented with corresponding art and decoration. Chef
Jason Hall, formerly of
Gotham Bar and Grill, will
be in the kitchen, perfecting dishes to serve the
palate of discerning
diners with upscale,
uptown tastes.

ally and personally — on a plate." There will be many plates strewn on tables at Talde, where the menu encourages diners to share small dishes, like Korean fried chicken with seasonal green-market vegetables or Talde's take on his favorite hangover food: bacon and oyster pad thai.

Diners can pretend they're summering on the French Riviera at La Promenade des Anglais, a restaurant helmed by Alain Allegretti when it too opens in late September. The laid back but elegant restaurant will serve Mediterranean fare inspired by Allegretti's French upbringing, but with influences from his Italian background as well. Visitors to the Chelsea eatery will be able to taste the simplicity of the Mediterranean diet with seasonal ingredients providing fresh, full flavors.





Bread and brew to go

To satiate the craving for a frothy beer and some autumnal carbo-loading, the German bakery Landbrot will open in October on the Lower East Side and in the West Village, serving up traditional German fare like bretzels and bratwurst as well as tarts and pastries. The West Village spot will be open morning to night, with growlers of German micro-brews to go; the LES location will be open late for the munchieprone scenesters.



Join the club

▶ Each week, we tell you about the songs you should be sweating to in clubs.

'Little Bad Girl' by David Guetta, featuring Taio Cruz and Ludacris



Guetta teamed up with Flo Rida and Nicki Minaj to create what may have been the club jam of the summer with "Where Them Girls At." Now he says "Keep it goin' girl ... I got an encore," with the second track on his "Nothing But the Beat" disc. The song is currently No. 5 on the Billboard Club Music chart. As the opening video-game riff gives way to the dance floor thump and Taio Cruz sings about putting his "hands up in the urrr" you'll find yourself doing the same. And the chantalong chorus of "Go, little bad girl" begs for every lady in the club to vie for the title role. As for Ludacris' rap, he's still on probation for his immortally bad rap in Justin Bieber's "Baby." METRO/PH

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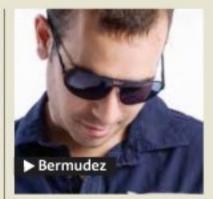
WHAT THE DJ SAYS

oe Bermudez is a DJ of all trades. His remix of Britney Spears' "I Wanna Go" topped the Billboard Dance/Club chart late last month. He also produces a weekly radio show for XM satellite radio (download at www.massmovement

Essential ...

'I Wanna Go' by Britney Spears

This is my favorite remix that I've done this year. The bass line sounds great in the club, and I love watching all the girls sing along to it. It has become one of those records that if I didn't play it, people would get mad at me.



radio.com). On his show, Bermudez has an easy rapport with the celebrities and other DJs he interviews. But in the club, he doesn't need to say a word. Here's his current playlist; check out www.metro.us/music for his thoughts on each track. © PAT HEALY

- 1. 'Party Rock Anthem' by LMFAO
- 2. 'Save The World' by Swedish House Mafia
- 3. 'Levels' by Avicii
- 4. 'Live Those Days Tonight' by Friendly Fires

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THEATER

Keen Company Presents

"Lemon Sky": Through Oct.

22, The Clurman Theatre at
Theatre Row, 410 W. 42nd St.,
\$55. The Pulitzer-winning
writer Lanford Wilson channels a strong, personal voice
in his autobiographical play,
which tells of the story when
Wilson moved to California to
live with his estranged
father's second family. The
cast, directed by Drama Desk
nomine Jonathan Silverstein,
includes Logan Riley Bruner,



Alyssa May Gold, Kevin Kilner and more.

FOOD

City Harvest presents The Brooklyn Local: Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Brooklyn Bridge Park, \$5. This inaugural fundraiser will feature the best of Brooklyn food, with proceeds going towards helping City Harvest feed more hungry New Yorkers. More than 75 artisanal vendors — including Chozen Ice Cream, Frankies Spuntino and Prime Meats — will be present, and visitors can expect to mingle with these regional artisans while sampling gourmet and specialty food items for sale.

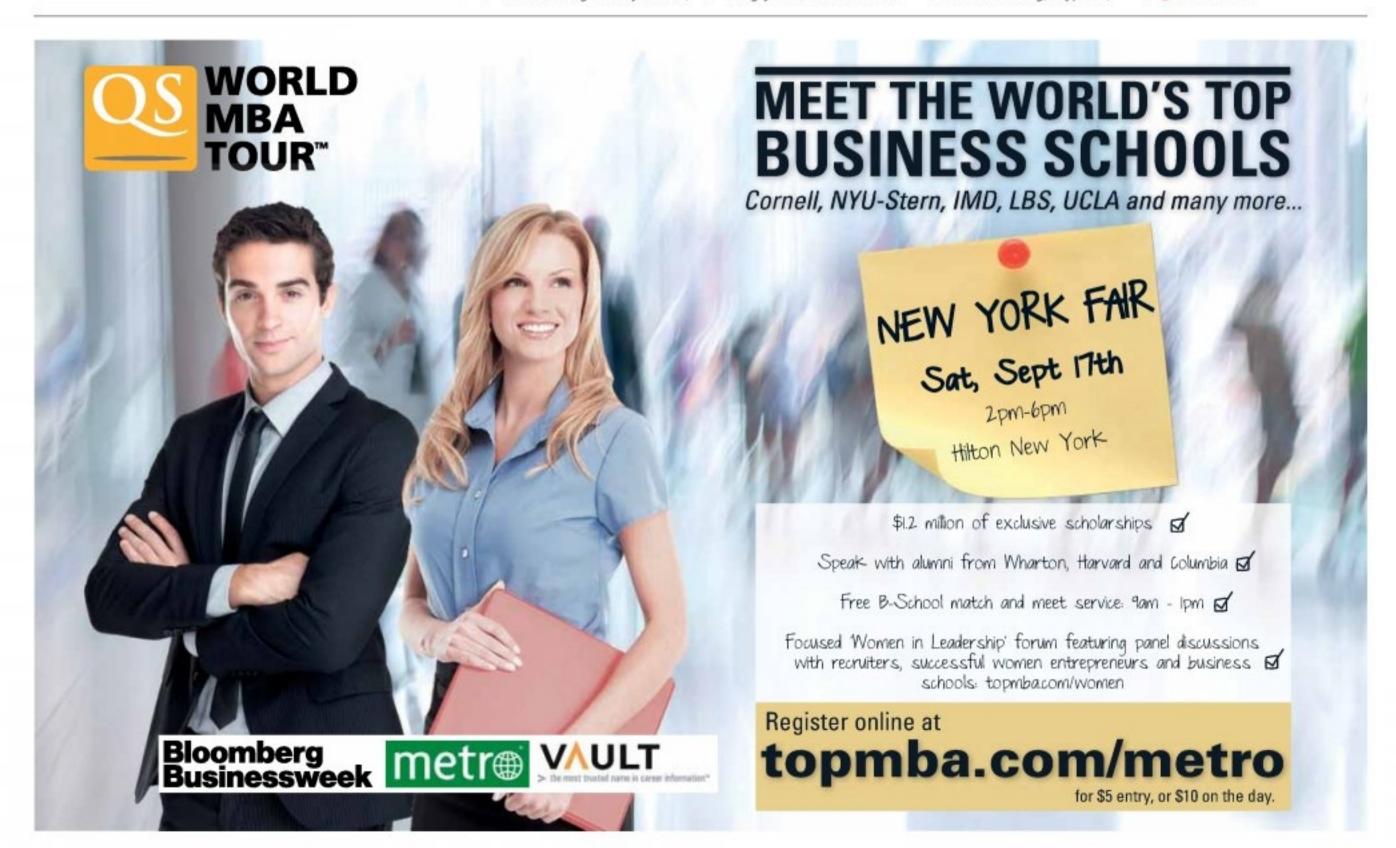
Taste the West Village: Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., The Yard at P.S. 41, 116 W. 11th St., \$45-\$150. Food-lovers are invited to this splendid culinary festival in celebration of the chefs and restaurants in the neighborhood, such as Redfarm, The Meatball Shop, Spasso and many more. This event is also a fundraiser; all proceeds will go to support various organizations, including Michelle Obama's Healthy School Food Initiative.

ARTS

International Print Center New York Presents "Silent Watch: Contemporary Prints from Finland": Through Oct. 27, Room 5A, 508 W. 26th St. The IPCNY brings a collection of artwork that was constructed with etching, drypoint, silkscreen, woodcut and digital techniques in its first presentation of Scandinavian printmaking. Visitors will take in the rich and novel elements in contemporary Finnish art. The exhibition is designed to promote further appreciation for printed works from other cultures around the world. Artists include Outi Heiskanen, IC-98, Eeva-Liisa Isomaa and more.

EXHIBITIONS

Fall Flowers of Japan: Saturday through Oct. 30, New York Botanical Garden, 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, \$10-\$20. Treat yourself to a burst of colors and fragrance as the New York Botanical Garden presents a huge diversity of fall-flowering plants from Japan, featuring maples, toad lilies, camellias and kiku - the Japanese chrysanthemums. Other highlights of the exhibit include traditional Japanese music and dance performances and ikebana - the art of Japanese flower arranging. O NICHOLAS LIM



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Restaurant takes it to the Max

♠ Meet Chef Massimiliano (Max) Convertini of the new Flatiron restaurant ZIO ♠ Why seasonal ingredients and Mediterranean-leaning flavors mark his cuisine

Chef Massimiliano Convertini has lived in the U.S. for more than 14 years but still loves to cook the food from his homeland of Italy. Since helping to open ZIO in June, Convertini has been honing his skills in the kitchen while helping to create a delightful seasonal menu for the Flatiron restaurant.

What's your favorite dish on the menu to cook?

Everything! We did the menu together [with coowners Darren Berman and Roberto Manfe] so everything is something I created. But I would guess the signature Riso al Salto con L'osso [crunchy saffron

Hot deal

Visit ZIO 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Monday-Friday to taste the aperitivo menu — featuring Italian nibbles like quiche lorraine and specialty cheese — with your cocktail order. Chef Max can customize your plate depending on your palate.

risotto cake, bone marrow and gremolata sauce] because everyone goes crazy about it. And the pasta, such as the pappardelle and the lobster raviolis.

What will you change to the menu come fall?

We're going to create 10 new dishes for the fall —

take off all the summer dishes and add new ones. I'll add polenta for sure. Maybe a wild boar ragu or venison as well.

Your cuisine has a lovely Mediterranean feel; this must be inspired by your homeland. Every region in Italy makes

Every region in Italy makes such different food, but it's still Italian — it's not just tomato sauce. There are so many different sauces; so many dishes.

If you really want to impress a guest, what do you prepare? The Barolo wine-braised

chateaubriand — it's a center cut of filet mignon braised gently with wine.





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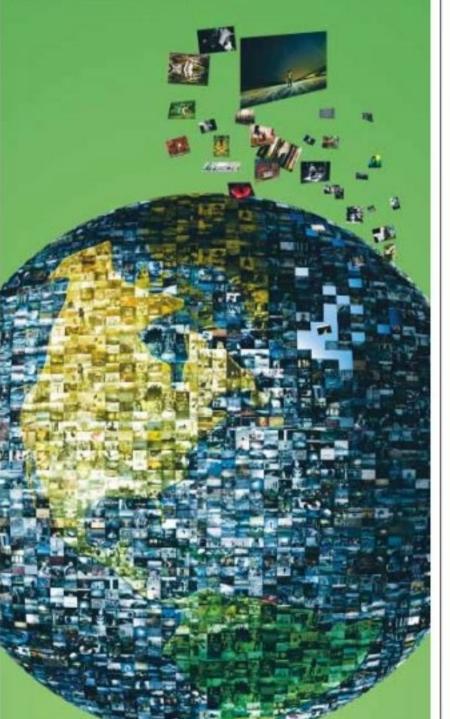






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This Beer Week gets crafty

• Sample the greatest the craft brew community has to offer at the fourth annual NY Craft Beer Week • What to expect at this year's multi-borough crawl

Kick-off party tomorrow

N/C BEFR PASSE ▶ Get thirsty.

The fourth annual Freaktoberfest Boutique Beer & Music Festival, the official kick-off party for N.Y. Craft Beer Week (and the seasonal launch of Coney Island Freaktoberfest), happens tomorrow from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Southpaw (125 Fifth Ave., Park Slope). Tickets are \$50 and include a glass and unlimited tastings for the duration of the festival, as well as all the burlesque and freaks and geeks you can handle. Tickets are available at www.freak toberfest.blogspot.com.

In the past four years that Josh Schaffner has been the director of N.Y. Craft Beer Week, he's not only seen the a-bit-morethan-a-week-long celebration grow, he's also watched the craft brew business itself flourish.

"Craft beer is booming as a business," the affable 27-year-old told us while sipping beers during a recent press event for the festival at Brooklyn

Brewery. "Breweries across the country are expanding, and new ones are popping up left and right."

With that kind of growth, it's been hard to define what exactly constitutes craft beer. For instance, Schaffner points out that it's hard to say

Brooklyn Brewery is a "craft" brewery when they have tripled production in the past year; at the same time, they still produce a number

of small batches. "My definition of a craft brew is a beer that was made for the purpose of brewing a beer with a specific foamy profile," he says. "Cost is secondary, marketing is secondary. The main elements that go into production are to produce distinct flavor and taste."

Schaffner sees N.Y. Craft Beer Week, which runs tomorrow through Sept. 25, as "an excuse for the city's beer community to present themselves as one," he says.

How it works

N.Y. Craft Beer Week, Sept. 16-25

Grab a Beer Week passport (find out how at www.nycbeerweek.com), which is an essential program and resource guide. It's also available as an iPhone and Android app. The Passport includes information on participating bars, restaurants, stores, featured breweries, beer pairing menus, dinners,

crawls and more.

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Craft beer in your 'hood

Sure, they've got a lot of great beer — but N.Y. Craft Beer Week also celebrates great food. Here are just a few places offering delicious specials in honor of the festival.

Guilty Goose 131 W. 23rd St. 212-255-3727

A \$50 prix-fixe menu (which includes charred romaine hearts and PEI mussels) includes a Cigar City Brewery pairing. Specials run Friday through Sept. 25.

MexiQ Kitchen and Draught 37-11 30th Ave., Astoria 718-626-0333

The Queens restaurant offers a four-course beer pairing feast for \$39, featuring smoked chicken chimichangas and a spiced rubbed roast pork loin accompanied by beers such as Centennial Ale and Dirty Bastard Scotch Ale. Specials run Friday through Sept. 25.

Craftbar 900 Broadway 212-461-4300

This Saturday enjoy four courses with beverage pairings from Shmaltz Brewing Co. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and will set you back \$75 per person, excluding tax and gratuities. For reservations, contact: jskiba@craftbarnyc.com

Colicchio & Sons 85th Tenth Ave. 212-400-6699

On Sept. 20 and 21, Colicchio & Sons will feature a five-course meal accompanied by beer from Victory Brewery. The cost is \$95 per person and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. To make a reservation, contact:

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Restaurant listings

Happy hour at Alfama

The Portuguese eatery has launched a new food and wine special from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.: two glasses of red or white wine and one appetizer — like codfish cakes or quail crostini — for \$10. (214 E. 52nd St, 212-759-5552)

Oktoberfest at Loreley Williamsburg

This Saturday, Brooklyn president Marty Markowitz will tap a free keg, and guests will receive a free half-liter mug of beer. Admission is free and the festivities start at 3 p.m. (64 Frost St. at Meeker Ave., 718-599-0025)

Brunch at Union Square Cafe

Munch your way through brunch at Union Square Cafe and let Chef Carmen Quagliata tantalize your taste buds. New seasonal dishes will be served from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (21 E. 16th St., 212-243-4020)

New Bacardi at Brother Jimmy's

Tonight, come celebrate the launch of Bacardi's new premium spiced rum, Bacardi Oakheart, with drink specials, Bacardi girls and promotional giveaways.

6 p.m. to 11 p.m., Brother Jimmy's Union Square, 116 E. 16th St., 212-967-7603

September in Santorini at Molyvos

A prix-fixe dinner comprising ingredients and wines native to the Grecian isle is available until the end of a month for \$60 per person.

(871 Seventh Ave., 212-582-7500)

SambaHour at SUSHISAMBA

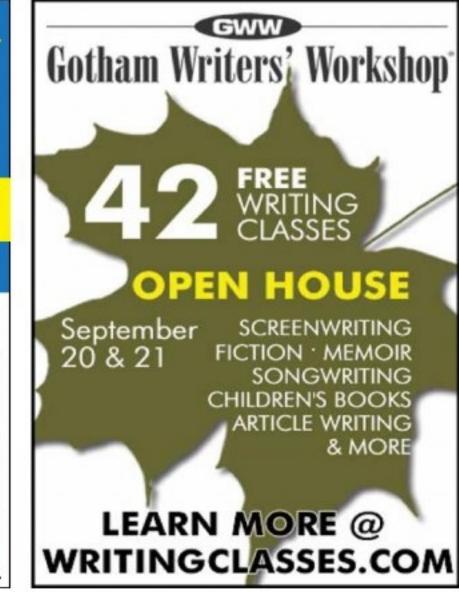
Samba your way through September as SUSHISAMBA just launched SambaHour from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Friday. Get your hands on \$6 snacks, \$5 Brazilian beers and \$6 cocktails.

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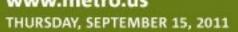


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In the news



Mets officially eliminated

If you were the most optimistic Mets fan in New York, you can now stop caring.

With a victory yesterday by the Braves over the Marlins, the Mets were officially eliminated from playoff contention.

Of course, the Mets were already 14 games out in the wild-card chase, so it shouldn't come as a surprise. Atlanta was up 4.5 games over St. Louis going into last night's action.

Meet at the crossroads

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Are Giants already in a must-win scenario? Lose Monday and it will get ugly real early for Big Blue

It's tough to say a team is at a crossroads this early in the season, but that could be where the Giants are coming off such an uninspired performance on a day that most of America was watching.

But when you play in the largest media market, it's understandable that critics are already out in full force. Lose to the depleted Rams on Monday night, no less and the vultures will certainly be out.

Good thing for the Giants, though, that not many teams in the league handle adversity better than them.

"There's a lot to overcome but their circumstances a year ago aren't too far from ours in '07," said Coughlin, using the world champion Packers as the model for overcoming

Injury report

The Giants' MASH unit continues to pick up residents, but there is good news.

DE Justin Tuck The defensive captain practiced yesterday, but is still questionable for Monday. **WR Hakeem Nicks**

Nicks didn't practice and Tom Coughlin said he had "no idea" when he'd return.

early injuries. "We have some experience along those lines but we just have to get going. We just have to start playing. The mistakes from the preseason, it is not preseason anymore. Nothing else matters except getting it right."







Jets plan to get physical

Two years ago, the Jets hosted Jacksonville in a disheartening and dispiriting 24-22 loss in Week 10.

It was the type of game the Jets would wise to learn from.

they imposed their will on

us. They ran the ball better than we did, they were more physical than us," Rex Ryan said. "We'll

let the video do the talking." Ryan has spoken

like to forget, but would be with his team about not being outmuscled this time by "They handed it to us; a Jaguars team that likes to run and takes pride in being

a hard-hitting defense.

"They are a physical guard Brandon Moore said. "And that's one thing Rex mentioned to us about two years ago was that they were more physical then we were. It is a point of pride for us and we need to match it and beat it this year." OKRISTIAN DYER







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Jackson's five

Vincent lackson had a 40-plus yard bomb land just inches in front of his hands in the end zone during Week 1. That won't happen often. Philip Rivers remains one of the most aggressive vertical throwers in the

game and Jackson is his best wideout. Buy up and reap rewards.

OD on Daniels

The Texans jumped out to a huge lead against the Colts and sat on it. That left Daniels out in the cold. But now that Kevin Walter (shoulder) is hurt and the Texans will be playing teams that have an actual NFL

quarterback going forward, the chances will be there.

CJ still 2K

have already admitted that they didn't give Chris Johnson the ball enough in Week 1. Their offensive line also underperformed and the entire unit is ad-

The Titans

justing to a new scheme. All these things can be corrected and will be shortly - as soon as this Sunday. He's still the elite threat to lead the league in rushing, just like he was prior to the preseason holdout.



Passing yards in the first half for Matthew Stafford in Week 1. If healthy, he's a top-3 fantasy quarterback.

Top NFL pickups

These players should be added ahead of Week 2:

Fred Davis, TE, ■ WAS — The Redskins are featuring two-TE sets and Davis is the main passcatcher ahead of Chris Cooley. Davis has elite athleticism for someone that goes 6-foot-4, 258.

2 Jordy Nelson, WR, GB — Hopefully he's already on your squad. But if not, run to the wire because Nelson is ahead of James Jones and set to pass Donald Driver on the totem pole.

Carnell Williams, RB, STL — Muscle strains are tough to overcome for older players. Steven Jackson could be out multiple weeks, and the risk of aggravation is high.

Tavares re-signs with **Islanders**

They may not have a new home, but Islanders fans have one thing to be happy about.

Former first-overall pick John Tavares has reportedly signed a six-year extension with the club.

He will receive \$4 million his first year, \$5 million in the next and \$6 million each of the remaining years, according to ESPN. The makes the total deal worth \$33 million.

Vincent Jackson had just

two catches in

Week 1, setting up a

"buy low" opportunity.

Tavares led the Islanders in points last season, with 67. He had 29 goals and 38

In an offseason in which the team has received bad news, the signing is a wel-



come relief. Earlier this summer, owner Charles Wang's plan to build a new stadium was voted down by Nassau County residents and the future location of the club is still in

Tavares will be just 21 years old when the season starts. OMETRO

Tavares has 53 goals in his two-year career with the Islanders. He is averaging 0.75 points per game and has missed just three career games.







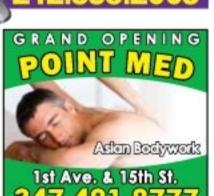












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